

Honolulu Star-Bulletin

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CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND THE BONDS.

Members of the Chamber of Commerce meet in general session tomorrow afternoon and will have an opportunity to discuss and act upon the subject brought to public attention by the Board of Supervisors—providing funds for road, water and sewer improvement.

What are you going to do about it gentlemen?

Here is an opportunity for business leaders of this city to show leadership, get together, gain real information regarding municipal conditions and render actual aid in developing a sound program for the future growth of the city.

They can accept this opportunity, attend the meeting, discuss the main points at issue, ask questions, increase their fund of municipal knowledge, help the city and help themselves;

Or, they can stay away, leaving it to the other fellow, while the "stay-aways" growl;

Or, they can attend the meeting, get tired and ugly, say mean things to the man who is not quite of the same opinion, cuss the municipality and all that is within it, offer little if anything constructive—and leave the meeting with nothing done.

At one time or another the Chamber of Commerce has done each and all these things.

Every Honolulu American citizen knows what he should do. No arguments are needed on that score. Here are five issues of vital importance to the present and the future of Honolulu. They have to do with the health, the comfort, and the business necessities of our own people.

Rolled down to its essentials, the decision turns on whether the people of this town will go about the work of public improvement in a broad wholesale style or pick along piecemeal, offering apologies at each step for what has not been done. They should be in a position to point with deserved pride to the splendid record of achievement.

Chasing will not settle this problem. Calling names will not help it. Complaining, without an accompanying desire to gain all the facts, will not get us anywhere.

What every taxpayer wants first is a reasonable guarantee, that the money to be provided for public improvements will be so expended that the value returned or put into the work may represent very close to one hundred cents on the dollar.

The Star-Bulletin suggests one way in which the businessman, member of the Chamber of Commerce, can help guarantee full values.

Become fully informed on what you are talking about. Gain complete information on the present status of the city administration and finance. Avoid putting yourself in the position of being a vigorous complainer, with complaints based on hearsay, or a conclusion on your part that there's too much work in this civic business, and you haven't the time, the whole thing is rotten, so—"What's the Use."

If you value the reputation of your city and have some regard for yourself, don't go at it that way. Please do not. Because, working on that old fashioned and worn out scheme you will not arrive at any given point; the city will not arrive. A first class failure will be the only result.

Do not assume that this paper suggests there is no cause for complaint.

But in these days of war and war terms, it is well recognize that the attacking force, to get out of its own trenches must be prepared. It must at least know what it is talking about. It must also be equipped with a scheme for handling the situation, not only a paper scheme but a practical scheme that will stick—a program which, if followed, will assure a successful forward movement.

The Supervisors have made a proposal. They ask the people to talk it over and give suggestions. Possibly the Chamber of Commerce will be the pivotal factor in shaping the final result. Possibly it will not. Perhaps the Chamber of Commerce will merely give an exhibition of businessmen who do not know very much about the subject, and, what is worse, have not enough interest to make themselves informed.

One of the best means known for gaining information on public affairs is to attend meetings where these affairs are talked over.

Gentlemen of the Chamber of Commerce, what are you going to do about it tomorrow? Attend the meeting or not?

"A SUGAR-COATED PORK BILL."

A sharp critic of the new federal good roads bill is the Philadelphia Public Ledger, which calls it "pork" and thinly-disguised as to smell at that. The Ledger says:

"If President Wilson's approval of the federal 'good roads' bill shall be taken as an index of his attitude toward other 'pork' projects of the present Congress, the rivers and harbors bill may be thought to be in little danger of veto. The 'good roads' measure is one of these extensions of the scope and activities of the federal government which are totally at variance with the traditions and professions of the Democratic party; but consistency is not one of the modern political virtues, and the discrepancy in this instance between party theory and practice

does not apparently disturb the majority in Congress nor the executive. The aggregate appropriation carried by the good roads bill is a large one—\$85,000,000 to be expended over a period of five years—and the single item that is not open to serious objection—\$10,000,000 for the opening of roads in the national parks—is accompanied by the express condition that the money must be repaid out of the revenues of the parks!

"So far as the states are concerned, the money is to be apportioned according to a complicated ratio, taking into account population, area and the mileage of rural delivery routes. The ostensible purpose of the law is, of course, to assist in the improvement of post roads; and the requirements that the states must expend an amount equal to that contributed by the federal government, and that the improvements must be 'substantial in character' and maintained by the states, on their face take away some of the odor of 'pork.' But the project is wrong in principle and is bound to open the door to gross waste of public money."

MEAT PRICES GOING UP.

Local housewives and husbands who do the family marketing are inclined to grumble about the rising price of meat, but the rise is by no means confined to Hawaii. The department of agriculture's latest bulletin on the prices of meat animals shows the scale steadily going up. They went up one-half of 1 per cent between June 15 and July 15, the department of agriculture announces, and on the latter date were 17.6 per cent higher than a year ago and 19.9 per cent higher than the average of the last six years.

Hog prices increased nearly 20 cents a hundred pounds, averaging \$8.40, higher than any monthly average since June, 1910. A year ago they averaged \$6.84.

Beef cattle declined 13 cents a hundred pounds during the month and averaged \$6.78, compared with \$6.97 a year ago.

Sheep prices declined 21 cents a hundred pounds, but the prices are still high, averaging \$6.33 per 100 pounds, compared with \$5.35 a year ago.

Prices of milk cows have advanced each month this year, increasing 41 cents per head during the month, and on July 15 averaged \$62.04 compared with \$60.31 last year.

Uncle Sam's protest to Great Britain about the distortion of despatches sent to American papers from Berlin, Vienna and other points within the Central Empires is based on a long series of incidents which show British censorship in anything but a favorable light. The complaint is not that despatches are suppressed, for total suppression may be justly based on military policy, and unless there is discrimination shown in such suppression, the newspapers would accept it as one of the hardships of war. But the complaint that despatches are tampered with, mishandled, distorted and tainted is totally different. Tampering with despatches in such a way as to change their meaning is nothing less than dishonesty. There have been complaints against this sort of trickery ever since the war started.

Planters make their start to assure a good crop eighteen months ahead of the harvest. What is the Honolulu merchant doing to put himself in shape for the tourist harvest in the winter. Let us hope that none of them are waiting for the other fellow to do the work while the non-workers get a full share of the reward.

Take notice of the number of Chamber of Commerce members attending the meeting tomorrow afternoon. There is not a member of the organization who is not vitally interested in the subject up for discussion—whether he appreciates it or not.

"Discouraging" the gun tofers is all right so far as it goes. What this town needs is, that gun toting shall be stopped. The definition of stopped is found in the difference between really doing something and giving the offender a nice slap on the wrist.

With all the partisan committees unanimous and harmonious, the coming campaign ought to be the most peaceful thing that has happened in years. May we be certain that progress comes with that sort of peace.

Most everyone is home from summer vacations abroad. This should be the signal for a vigorous start on community activities usually allowed to run slack during the mainland hot months.

If President Wilson can be the leading factor in keeping the country free from a great labor war, he will have a hold on public confidence that will be difficult for the frenzied partisans to break.

One of the best lessons of the National Guard mobilizing is to remind the State organizations that they have a responsibility beyond the joys of playing tiddlerwinks once a year at State encampments.

Our City Hall friends should remember that the best politics is found in appointing men to office who can do the work, with no apologies.

Even with sugar at its present price, Hawaii should be able to survive for at least a week.

'HAWAII IDEAL' SUMMER RESORT, DECLARES EXPERT

Noted Lecturer Urges Islands Lay Stress on This For Tourists

(Staff Correspondence.)

HILO, Hawaii, Aug. 14.—"Hawaii can be made the summer resort of the world. Advertise to the world that in June, July, August and September these islands are cooled by the freshest trade winds that blow over any ocean, that trees and ferns are green and luxuriant, that flowers are blooming and that you have this magnificent volcano and many other spots of wonderful beauty—and Hawaii will lead up such a tourist traffic as is now undreamed of."

The man who spoke was E. M. Newman, of New York, traveler, lecturer, author and from now on, a firm and appreciative friend of Hawaii. He said it as the auto taking him and his party down from the volcano House Monday morning swept through the fern forests and green canyons. He repeated it later at luncheon at the Hilo hotel, pointing to the tropical luxuriance of foliage all about the hostelry.

"Hawaii, the Summer and Winter Resort!" No better authority on the tourist traffic has ever visited Hawaii than Mr. Newman. He has visited every country on the globe. He has "done" Europe, Africa, Asia, South America, North America, Australia and many parts of each. Just now he is returning from a trip which has included the Philippines, China, Japan and Korea, gathering material—literary and pictorial—for a series of lectures in the large cities of the mainland. He is one of the few dominant figures in the travel-lecture field today and he is an especially keen critic of the natural attractions of countries.

Mrs. Newman and Mr. Newman's photographer, Charles d'Emery of Stamford, Connecticut, are quite as enthusiastic about Hawaii as is the noted lecturer himself. Their days in Honolulu, Waikiki beach, the trip around Oahu, and their days on the Big Island have added hours to this enthusiasm. And it is this point of Hawaii as a summer resort to which they recur again and again. "Nowhere," they say, "can a traveler find a climate and surroundings so equable and beautiful in summer as Hawaii."

Mr. Newman is a firm believer in advertising. In his own work, booklets, cards, news, age, advertising and other factors take his advertising appropriation annually up into four figures. Consequently he is a thorough believer in systematic publicity to secure patronage for attractions and he is absolutely convinced that every dollar Hawaii spends in progressive, consistent, wideawake advertising of the islands is bound to be returned in more than ten times as much in tourist trade profits. And anyone who talks with him ten minutes is convinced of the same thing.

In his lecture work Mr. Newman will make a point of Hawaii's attractions in summer as well as in winter. And Hawaii may be sure that when he leaves Honolulu late this week for the mainland he is carrying away many good impressions.

The volcano was a surprise and a delight to the party. On Sunday night they spent several hours on the edge of the great pit. Halemauau was in splendid form. At one time 25 separate lava fountains were showing and the vast fields made a magnificent display. Photographer d'Emery stayed at the volcano all night, returning to the volcano House after 8 this morning, brimful of true artistic enthusiasm. He had taken not only a large number of still-life views Sunday afternoon but 500 feet of "movie" films last night. These will be shown in the course of Mr. Newman's lectures. The Newman party is returning this afternoon on the Mauna Kea and will be at the Moana hotel until their steamer sails.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

William Pillard, American..... 39
Bianche Lee, American..... 23

AUSTRIA PREPARES FOR WINTER

AMSTERDAM, Holland.—War Office advertisements appearing in Vienna newspapers indicate that preparations are being made in Austria-Hungary for another winter campaign. Tenders are invited for the supply of furs and woolen goods of all kinds for the protection of the troops against cold. Deliveries must be made before September 15.

In the schools of Australia boxing has been introduced as regular exercise for schoolboys.

Dwellings For Rent—Furnished

Nuuanu Valley.....	5 Bedrooms.....	\$150.00
Tantalus Heights.....	3 ".....	45.00
Pearl City (Peninsula).....	2 ".....	30.00
Waikiki.....	3 ".....	100.00
1624 Dole st.....	2 ".....	65.00
1625 Makiki st.....	12 ".....	80.00

UNFURNISHED

Seventh and Maunaloa.....	3 Bedrooms.....	\$ 30.00
13th ave. and Claudine st.....	2 ".....	18.00
McKinley st., Manoa.....	4 ".....	75.00
1640 Kewalo st.....	4 ".....	65.00
Vineyard st.....	4 ".....	35.00
1633 Anapuni st.....	2 ".....	40.00

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Personal Mention

D. LORING MACKAYE of the anti-tuberculosis bureau, board of health, is enjoying a two weeks' vacation at Kaneohe.

JOHN L. OSMER, chief sanitary inspector of Maui, is here on official business, and will return to Walluku in the Claudine Friday.

MRS. JOHN ALFRED MAGOON, widow of the late Honolulu attorney, returned to Honolulu today. She was accompanied by her son, Eton.

COL. C. J. MCCARTHY, territorial treasurer, has returned from Maui, where he passed several days looking up various harbor board matters.

J. K. KAHINU, member of the Hoonana Naauao church, Kaunakakai, Molokai, has been commissioned by the territorial treasurer to perform marriages.

DR. Y. HAGA, compiler of new school text books for the Hawaiian-born Japanese children, is visiting Waipahu today to investigate life on the plantations.

ARTHUR RESTARICK, son of Bishop and Mrs. Henry Bond Restarick, arrived in the Matsonia to enter his new duties as clerk in Circuit Judge Whitney's court.

CAPT. ORVILLE N. TYLER, 4th Cavalry, stationed at Schofield Barracks, returned to Honolulu today from a tour of the mainland, accompanied by Mrs. Tyler.

MR. AND MRS. JOHN GUILD will celebrate their silver wedding anniversary Saturday at their home, Kaa-lawai, Waikiki. They will be at home to their friends that afternoon.

MRS. A. McDOWALL, expects to leave in Ventura Thursday for San Francisco. There she will meet her sister, Mrs. Wickham of Montreal, Canada, and together they will visit various parts of the United States.

MR. AND MRS. J. H. BALSDON and son and Miss Katherine Maxwell, who have been in Honolulu for a two-weeks' visit, left in the Mauna for home. The Baldson home is in Colusa, Cal., where Baldson owns several large ranches. Miss Maxwell lives in Oakland. They have been staying at the Moana.

LITTLE INTERVIEWS

—GEORGE M. COLLINS, city engineer: I still believe in the necessity of a bond issue for road construction.

—W. C. WOODWARD, acting superintendent of public works: The boss gets back today, hoo-ray! I'll drop all my titles and throw dull care to the winds.

—MAYOR LANE: Plans for the celebration of Kalakaua Day are a little slow in forming because of the difficulty of getting the committee together, but they are under way.

—W. J. COELHO, clerk, public land office: All that firing on the Punchbowl rifle range Sunday apparently hurried up the Portuguese owing us land payments. They flocked into our office seven deep yesterday morning to pay up on time.

—MAJ. L. W. REDINGTON, N. G. H.: Our Punchbowl rifle range is a good one. Sunday's initial use of it showed everything to be in good working order. The job was well done and the range will soon be one of the best militia ranges anywhere.

VITAL STATISTICS

BORN.

ALAPAI—In Honolulu, August 9, 1916, to Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Alapai of Palolo Valley, a daughter—KAGUA.
FREITAS—In Honolulu, August 8, 1916, to Mr. and Mrs. Manuel M. Freitas of 1676 Kamamalu avenue, a son—Joseph.

MARRIED.

PARKER-AHANA—In Honolulu, Aug. 14, 1916, Nathaniel Parker and Miss Lucile Ahana, Rev. Samuel K. Kamaiopili, assistant pastor of the Kaunakapili church, Palama, officiating; witnesses—Miss Nani Edith Wood and Mrs. S. K. Kamaiopili.
AHANA-PEILER—In Wailua, Oahu, Aug. 14, 1916, K. C. Ahana of Lihue, Kauai, and Miss Dora Peiler, former school teacher at Hanalei, Kauai, Rev. Samuel Kekuewa, pastor of the Wailanae Hawaiian church, officiating.
NAMOKU—In Honolulu, Aug. 13, 1916, Lui Namoku and Miss Emelia Kana, Rev. Father Philip Blom of the Catholic Cathedral officiating; witnesses—George Landford and Maria Kana.

"Ask Mr. Foster" Comes to Learn Right Answers

To personally investigate one of his company's principal patrons, the Hawaii Promotion Committee, H. Harrison Ham, vice-president of the Foster & Reynolds Company, famous for the "Ask Mr. Foster" travel information service, arrived in the Matsonia for his first visit here. He comes alone.

Ham will spend about three weeks in Honolulu and the islands obtaining first hand information on the territory and its attractions to be distributed wholesale all over the world.

The company which Ham represents has head offices in New York City and 26 branch offices in various points of the United States, also two in Cuba. Its work is to collect information for tourists from all over the world, and to dispense this knowledge free to prospective travelers. Although the company sends hundreds to Europe, it emphasizes "See America First."

Over 50,000 people were sent to California alone last year by the travel service and hundreds to Hawaii, Alaska, the Philippines, Panama and Cuba. Ham says his managers are all women because they are more patient and also because they can assume more details and retain them better than men.

"Some of our women managers have been with us for 17 years," he says, "and many for nine and 10 years. They take a great interest in the work and collectively have traveled about 300,000 miles to be properly informed on the various places about which they are continually questioned."

The Foster & Reynolds Company is 29 years old. It publishes a "travel" magazine in which have appeared from time to time interesting articles about Hawaii. Ham is now collecting data for a comprehensive story of the islands to be published in the December edition.

The company is the largest of its kind in the world, according to Ham. Its customers are the hundreds of local organizations and committees in

STILL HAS HOPE OF PROHIBITION FOR TERRITORY

Dr. Wadman Writes That Federal Legislation May Still Pass at This Session

George W. Faty reported to the executive committee of the Anti-Saloon League at its last meeting, Thursday, that he had investigated the report that the proprietors of the Coral Gardens were contemplating applying for a license to sell liquor at the Coral Gardens Hotel, but had been unable to verify that report.

A statement was made that an unusual number of inquiries during the past month with regard to the temperance situation both here and in Washington indicated much public interest in the matter.

It was decided to keep close watch of candidates for the house and senate of this territory to be elected next November and to use such power as the members of the league possess to defeat any candidate who is known to be affiliated with the liquor interests.

A letter received from Dr. Wadham Monday stated that he was still busy in Washington and had hopes that the matter of federal prohibition for Hawaii would come up before Congress adjourned.

The incandescent electric lamp dates back only to 1879, just about 37 years having passed since the famous discovery of Thomas A. Edison was first given to the world.

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